GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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CRASH OF SURYA KIRAN AIRCRAFT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Surya Kiran aircraft of the Indian Air Force crashed at the Bhubaneswar airport recently during practice session;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any investigation to find out the reasons for the accident;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective measures taken by the Government to check the recurrence of such accidents in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. One Surya Kiran aircraft, Kiran MK-II of the Indian Air Force met with anaccident on 22nd December, 2007 at Bhubaneswar airport on a ferry from Bhubaneswar to Vizag.

(c) to (e): Each crash is investigated through a Court of Inquiry and remedial measures areundertaken accordingly to check their recurrence in future.